

MINUTES

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

April 9, 2015

Public Session

I CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:07 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3rd) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS		PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
President	Nicholas J. Netta, RA	(X)	()	()
Vice President	Richard Picatagi, LLA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Obiora Agudosi, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Diane Goté, CID	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Kishor Y Joshi, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Arthur F Margiotta, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Louis J Mraw	()	()	(X)
	Government Member			
Board Member	Michael G. Soriano, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Albert Zaccone, RA	(X)	()	()
Board Member	Architect Member			
Board Member	Landscape Architect Member			
Board Member	Vacant - Public Member			
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OTHERS PRESENT: B. Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Charles Kirk, Acting Executive Director of the Board of Architects; and Margaret Hinkley, Secretary to Executive Director of the Board of Architects; Joseph Abello III of the Board of Architects; and Martha Richardson staff member of the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

ALSO PRESENT: Kim Ringler, Deputy Director, Division of Consumer Affairs

II OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The statement required by Chapter 231, public laws of 1975, the "Open Public Meetings Act," was read and it was announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board of Architects and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark *Star-Ledger*, the Trenton *Times*, the Camden *Courier-Post*, the *Record* and the Atlantic City *Press*.

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III APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 12, 2015

ACTION: Mr. Zaccone motioned to approve of the minutes as presented. Mr. Margiotta seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kim Ringler, Deputy Director, Division of Consumer Affairs, introduced herself to the Board members present. She informed the Board that she is aware of the vacancies on this Board as well as all the other Boards in the Division and will be working in conjunction with the Governor's office to fulfill them. She thanked the Board members for their hard work on the Board and their dedication to the profession as well as the citizens of New Jersey. Mr. Zaccone informed her that with the exemplary support of the DAG, Executive Director and board staff it makes their jobs as board members easier.

V OLD BUSINESS

A Previously closed disciplinary matters

- 1 ITEM NO. 88654 A. Zaccone
Respondent/s: PIMPAO, Edmund J. - AI011401
Architectus, LLC - no COA

On May 9, 2013, the Board unanimously voted to issue the settlement letter with the addition of Mr. Pimpao to take two 3-credit college ethics course. On June 12th, the Board reviewed a copy of the signed settlement letter from Mr. Pimpao; a copy of the Board's May 23rd letter regarding the ethics course he needs to complete; and copies of certificates of completion from Mr. Pimpao. The Board tabled this matter until the next meeting. On July 10th, the Board reviewed a copy of the signed settlement letter from Mr. Pimpao; a copy of the Board's May 23rd letter regarding the ethics course he needs to complete; and copies of certificates of completion from Mr. Pimpao. After some discussion, the Board unanimously voted to advise Mr. Pimpao that the courses he took were denied and did not satisfy the requirement in the settlement letter. Advise him that he has 30 days to provide proof that he has signed up for two (2) three-credit college courses on ethics. On September 11, 2014, the Board unanimously voted to send a letter to Mr. Pimpao advising that the professional practice course was accepted by the Board. However, the Construction Management course was not approved and he needs to submit an additional course for board approval to comply with the settlement letter. On February 12, 2015, the Board reviewed information from Mr. Pimpao pertaining to proof and grade for the professional practice course and submits business ethics courses as well as curriculum of three architectural schools for board review and approval. Mr. Zaccone will review the curriculum report to the Board at the April meeting.

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4/9/2015 Mr. Zaccone to report.

ACTION: Mr. Zaccone motioned to inform Mr. Pimpao that in lieu of taking college semester ethics course, the Board requires he take “Applied Ethics for Architects Part I and Part II” offered by Titan Continuing Education; “Business Ethics #ORG B 400”; and a NCARB Monograph on Ethics. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

2 ITEM NO. 102281 K. Joshi
Respondent/s: MCNEIGHT, James S. - AI008626
James S McNeight, PC

Summary: On December 11, 2014, the Board unanimously voted to issue a settlement letter to Mr. McNeight for the misrepresentation of work as his own and the removal of title block, with a total penalty of \$3,000 and Mr. McNeight will have to take nine (9) hours of a board approved course on ethics. On January 8, 2015, the Board received the signed settlement letter from Mr. McNeight.

4/9/15 Mr. McNeight submits ethics courses for board approval.

ACTION: Subsequent to reviewing the information submitted, Mr. Joshi motioned to accept the three courses he submitted and inform him that upon completion of the courses he needs to submit the certificates of completion. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VI NEW BUSINESS

A Landscape Architect Continuing Education Course review report

APPROVE

- 1 Tree Canopy Conference: Preserving Trees in Our Communities - March 10, 2015 - offered by Morris Arboretum - **7 hours**
- 2 Procedure of and Results Interpretation for ASTM 1781-13 Standard Test Method for Surface Infiltration Rate of Permeable Unit Pavement - April 14, 2015 - offered by Anchor OldCastle - **1 hour**
- 3 NJ Future Redevelopment Forum conference - March 13, 2015 - offered by NJ Future Redevelopment Forum - **6 hours**
- 4 Beazley Risk Management Webinar - 90 minutes - **1 hour**
- 5 Exploring the Morris Canal Greenway - June 4, 2015 - offered by NJ Historic Trust - **1 hour**
- 6 What the Ghosts Tell Us: Preserving New Jersey's Churchyards - June 4, 2015 - offered by NJ Historic Trust - **1 hour**
- 7 From Passive Owner to Proud Steward: What Happens When a Land Trust Takes Title to a Historic Property - June 4, 2015 - offered by NJ Historic Trust - **1 hour**

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- 8 Adaptive Reuse of Industrial Sites: Challenges and Success Stories - June 4, 2015 - offered by NJ Historic Trust - **1 hour**
- 9 Historic Collingswood, New Jersey: Creative Tools for Revitalization - June 4, 2015 - offered by NJ Historic Trust - **3 hours**
- 10 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Design and Layout (RV-10708) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 11 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Contours, Forms, Interpolation and Slope (RV-10709) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 12 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Grading (RV-10710) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 13 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Soils in Construction and Earthwork (RV-10711) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 14 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Storm Water Management and Control (RV-10712) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 15 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Storm Water Management System Components (RV-10713) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 16 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Designing and Sizing Storm Water Management Systems (RV-10714) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 17 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Horizontal and Vertical Road Alignment (RV-10715) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 18 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Determining Rates and Volumes of Storm Runoff (RV-10716) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 19 Site Engineering for Landscape Architects: Estimating Runoff Rates, Volumes and Required Detention Storage (RV-10717) - offered by Red Vector - **1 hour**
- 20 Green Roof Professional Training - **7.5 hours** for each day of course

DENY

The following courses are **not** targeted to Landscape Architects:

- 1 Health Impact Assessment in New Jersey: Building Capacity to Advance Healthier Decisions - May 7, 2015 - offered by New Jersey Health Impact Collaborative / Facilitated by Rutgers University
- 2 From Smithville to Paulsdale: Places Where Two Exceptional NJ Women Made History - June 4, 2015 - offered by NJ Historic Trust

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to approve the above courses as noted. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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- 2 Copy of a March 12, 2015 e-mail from David Varnell requesting the Board approve the “Green Roof Professional Training” seminar for continuing education credit

ACTION: Duly noted

- 3 Copy of a March 12, 2015 e-mail from David Varnell requesting the Board accept the LACES programs for continuing education credits is attached for Board review.

ACTION: Duly noted.

B Correspondence

- 1 Copy of a letter from Steven Considine, concerning the Site Plan Rule specifically, N.J.A.C. 13:27-7.3c and 7.3d.

ACTION: Mr. Zacccone motioned to inform Mr. Considine that the site plan rule provided as follows: *(c) Drainage facilities for site plans of 10 acres or more; or involving storm water detention facilities; or traversed by a water course: By an engineer only.* Each part is separate and distinct and can be designed only by an engineer. Thus, if the site is more than 10 acres, then he could not design the drainage facilities. If his plan involved storm water detention facilities, then he could not design (amount of acres does not matter). If the site is traversed by a water course, then he could not design (amount of acres does not matter). However there is not enough information to determine if the dry well is applicable to this rule. Request Mr. Considine provide more information concerning this project. Mr. Margiotta seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- 2 Copy of a letter from J Michael Perry, PE, PP, RA, concerning the Site Plan Rule specifically, N.J.A.C. 13:40-7.3(i).

ACTION: Mr. Zacccone motioned to inform Mr. Perry that as a licensed architect and as a licensed professional engineer he is permitted to prepare landscape plans in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:40-7.3(I). Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- 3 Copy of an e-mail from Vincent Zadjeka of Greentech Builders concerning problems obtaining a certificate of occupancy on a home he completed under N.J.S.A. 45:3-10.

ACTION: Mr. Zacccone motioned to inform Mr. Zadjeka that it appears he does not meet the requirements for single family exemption under N.J.S.A. 45:3-10 and he needs an architect to review and approve the plans. The certificate of occupancy issue is outside the Board’s jurisdiction. Mr. Margiotta seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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- 4 Copy of an e-mail from Erin Collins-Cecil who requests a clarification regarding the division of services between an architect and an engineer in the Design Services Act.

ACTION: Mr. Zaccone motioned to inform Ms. Collins-Cecil that based on the facts provided only an architect can provide services. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- 5 Copy of a letter from Frank J Richards, PE, concerning a home he recently bought and wants to add some additional windows but could not obtain a copy of the drawings on file with the town without the architect's permission, but the architect has died.

ACTION: Mr. Agudosi motioned to inform Mr. Richards that this type of OPRA request is outside the Board's jurisdiction and he should consult his own attorney on this matter. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

C Information

Copy of the February 2015 Member Board E-News from CLARB is attached for Board information.

ACTION: Duly noted

D Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee

November 3, 2014 minutes

ACTION: Ms. Goté informed the Board that another Committee member has resigned which reduces the Committee to three members. Ms. Goté motioned to approve of the Interior Design Committee minutes as presented. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VII REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

A. Applications for Licensure by Credentials

The following individuals have applied for licensure by credentials, have met board requirements and are recommended for licensure: * - NCARB Council Record Holder

Ronald Chin
Stephen Laurie*
Francis Sun*
William Russell*
Jorge Prado*

Denise Thompson*
Audra Manzano*
Raymond Tom*
Cesar Ramos*
Leon Sampat*

Dean Waldrop*
Wayne LaFrance
Terrance Wright*
Ratricia Ramallo*
Vicente Varela Jr*

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Aries, Kevin W*
Beegan, Paul R*
John Doherty*
Richard S Posey*
Mark Engel*
Gregory Smith
Christian Kalischefski*
Bishay, Sandy*
Thomas W Kundig

Allen, Scott D*
Berson, John E*
Eric Catellier*
William Price*
Thomas Hysell*
Dress, Nicole M*
Daniel E King*
Brescia, Frank D*

Armstrong, Lisa J*
Bunton, John M*
Kristoff Strain*
James O'Brien*
William MacIntosh*
Clarke, James R*
Tony Kim*
Chiang, Peter*

ACTION: Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure by credentials. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

B. Applications for Examination

The following applicant/s applied for admission to the Architectural Registration Examination and are recommended by staff:

Wilson Aldahondo Jr
Kurt Hirschberg

Erin Avery
Christopher Porcello - PE

Ryan J Duffy
Damian A Wentzel

ACTION: Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above individuals to take the ARE Examination. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

C Licensure by Examination

The following applicant/s have completed all Divisions of the Architectural Registration Examination and are submitted to the Board for licensure:

Mukti Bajaj
Eugene F Dassing
Victoria R Pivovarnick
Joseph G Scarpa
Patrick J Fucci

Arnold E Boyle
Thomas J LaPorta
Alyssa M Rosellini
Adrian I Uscocovich

Bryan R Cannon
Ryan M Moran
Craig A Nush
James G Elliott Jr

ACTION: Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure inasmuch as they have completed the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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Misael Rojas

ACTION: The Board tabled this application due to information reviewed in executive session.

D Certificate/s of Authorization

AAD:FITCH ARCHITECTURE, LLC
100 Park Avenue - 4th Flr
New York NY 10017

Architecture

Responsible Architect: Blair S Leach - License #AI019028

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 100% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

ACTION: Mr. Margiotta motioned to issue a Certificate of Authorization to the above firm. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

VIII LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW

A Licensure without examination:

The following individuals submit completed applications for licensure without examination and are recommended for licensure. * - CLARB Council Record Holder

Dragan, Jeffrey S*

Escobar, Flor M.

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to license the above individuals inasmuch as they have complied with the requirements for licensure. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

B Initial Licensure by examination: LARE taken

The following individual has submitted a completed application for licensure inasmuch he/she has already completed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) and is recommended for licensure. * - CLARB Council Record Holder

Seiter, David*

ACTION: Mr. Picatagi motioned to license Mr. Seiter inasmuch as he has complied with the requirements for licensure. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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IX CLOSED CASES

The Board closed the following cases at today's meeting:

- 1 ITEM NO. 102846 - KALE, Vijay T - AI008373 / Vijay T Kale Architects, PC
- 2 ITEM NO. 104026 - DI GERONIMO, Louis A - AI005288
- 3 ITEM NO. 102288 - O'SUCH, Steven - Unlicensed / DI MAIO, Brian - Unlicensed / Cape Shore Drafting Services

X PUBLIC COMMENTS

Seeing no one from the public present, Mr. Netta proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

XI EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Zaccone motioned to go into executive session for the purposes of reviewing the minutes and other items in executive session. Ms. Goté seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

XII NEXT MEETINGS

May 14, 2015	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 rd Floor
June 11, 2015	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 rd Floor

XII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2pm.